

Constitution House
Halifax
Halifax County
North Carolina

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Owner: Daughters of the American Revolution

Date of erection: Prior to 1776

Present condition: Good; moved twice

Description:

Frame; story and a half; gable roof; long shed in rear; two chimneys, west end; front three bays, double door at right, sash 9/9 lights. There are 4/4-light windows flanking the large chimney at the west end, two full-sized windows at east end with small ones above. In the rear is a porch covered by the main roof, extending almost half the width of the house. This has a door corresponding to front door which enters the main hall. This is situated across the east end of the building and has a small enclosed stair which ascends to the attic. In the front is a large room with a smaller behind it. This latter has two full-sized windows in the north wall and a door to the rear porch.

Additional data:

The house originally stood behind the old burial ground near the Roanoke River. In it on April 4, 1776, the Provincial Congress delegates met to appoint delegates to the Continental Congress. In 1920 the house was moved and restored on a site on the highway, but with the recent re-routing of the latter the house was again moved.

Reference: North Carolina Guide, p. 318

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